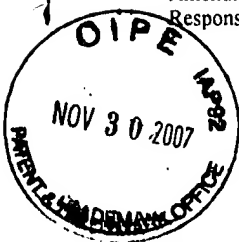


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**RESPONSE TO RULE 312 COMMUNICATION  
AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office communication dated 14 November 2007. It is believed that no fee is presently due to maintain this application in full force and effect, but if any such fee is due, please charge this to Deposit Account No. 08-1254.

An Amendment After Allowance was filed by Applicants on 09 November 2007 with the Issue Fee Transmittal and issue and publication fees. The Amendment was disapproved due to non-compliance with 37 CFR 1.12(b)(1)(ii). Applicants therefore respectfully submit herewith an Amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.12(b)(1)(ii).

**AMENDMENT**

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.



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